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Our Environment: Integrating All Voices and Perspectives in Environmental Decision-Making

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MARCH 25, 2016

Golden Gate University

536 Mission Street,
San Francisco, CA 94105

Register Online: <http://environmental.calbar.ca.gov>

PROGRAM

Join community leaders, law and policy practitioners, and students for a discussion of what is being done—and what needs to be done—to:

- 1) increase collaboration between social justice and environmental justice efforts and more types of diverse individuals and organizations inside and outside of the traditional environmental organizations;
- 2) expand organizational and institutional diversity and inclusion, and
- 3) engage communities in environmental planning and protection.

REGISTRATION

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

9:30 AM – 9:45 AM

WARM-UP EXERCISE

9:45 AM – 10:00 AM

WRITING A NEW CHAPTER IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT: CHANGING THE MEANING OF ENVIRONMENTALISM AND REIMAGINING THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATE

10:00 AM – 11:45 AM

Although often interrelated, the environmental and social justice movements have largely operated in separate spheres. How do we bridge the gap between “mainstream” environmental advocacy and environmental and social justice advocacy? How do we develop a broader concept of “environmentalism” or “environmental law,” and attract those who may not identify themselves as environmental advocates? This panel will explore how to re-envision the composition of lawyers and advocates in the environmental law and policy setting.

Panelists:

Letitia Moore, *Senior Attorney*, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Melissa Lin Perrella, *Director and Senior Attorney*, Southern California Air Program, Natural Resources Defense Council

Shannon Martin Dilley, *Staff Attorney*, California Air Resources Board

Veronica Garibay, *Co-founder and Co-director*, Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability

Moderator:

Antonette Cordero, *Deputy Attorney General*, Civil Rights Enforcement Section, Office of the Attorney General

SCHEDULE

LUNCH

12 PM – 12:30 PM

AFTERNOON EXERCISE

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

CREATING ORGANIZATIONAL AND INSTITUTIONAL DIVERSITY: LESSONS LEARNED AND NEXT STEPS

1:00 PM – 2:45 PM

1.75 hours Elimination of Bias

How does diversity benefit the legal profession, the environment and our clients? What are non-profit organizations, administrative agencies, and law firms that operate in the environmental law sector doing to increase diversity and inclusion within the workplace? This panel discusses the motivations, successes, and failures of creating a culture of diversity and inclusion.

Panelists:

Guillermo Mayer, *President & CEO*, Public Advocates

Aruna Prabhala, *Staff Attorney*, Center for Biological Diversity

Jennifer Hernandez, *Partner*, Holland & Knight LLP

Khaleelah Ahmad, *J.D. Candidate*, Golden Gate University School of Law

Moderator:

Jill Yung, *Staff Attorney*, Paul Hastings LLP

BRINGING DIVERSITY AND EQUITY IN ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

3:00 PM – 4:45 PM

1.75 hours Elimination of Bias

Communities of color and low-income communities face disproportionate environmental impacts, and people of color rank environmental issues as being of great importance to them in opinion polls. How are these communities participating in or leading efforts to protect the health of their environment? This panel explores the challenges and opportunities that underlie engagement by disadvantaged communities in creating equitable land use and development.

Panelists:

Sekita Grant, *Equity and Environment Legal Counsel*, Greenlining Institute

Caroline Farrell, *Executive Director*, Center on Race, Poverty, and the Environment

Sigrid Waggener, *Chair*, Planning Commission, City of Martinez; *Partner*, Burke, Williams, & Sorenson, LLP

Community representative (TBD)

Moderator :

Paul Kibel , *Associate Professor of Law*, Golden Gate University School of Law

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